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1. **Purpose**. To provide FY 03/04 training guidance on the implementation of the V Corps Battle Rhythm Methodology.

2. References.

- a. FM 25-100, Training the Force, 15 November 1988.
- b. FM 25-101, Battle Focused Training, 30 September 1990.
- c. USAREUR Regulation 350-1, Training in USAREUR/7A, 17 November 2000.
- 3. **Objective**. To provide predictability and stability for unit training plans and programs throughout V Corps.
- 4. **General**. The V Corps Battle Rhythm is a methodology, not a regulation. This methodology is METT-T driven and *will not* always conform to the training management system. It is not a perfect system that allows for absolute rules to be applied in every case.

5. Specific.

- a. Principles. There are four guiding principles to the V Corps Battle Rhythm Methodology. They are:
- (1) Common Sense Filter (70%-30%). A 70%/30% split of red cycle taskings between divisions and separates in *RED* will be maintained. The designated *RED* Division will receive 70% of the taskings based on size and scope while the designated *RED* separates will receive the remaining 30%.
 - (2) Nothing detracts from the IRF.
- (3) This methodology will be depicted on the V Corps training calendar by placing a red, amber, or green box in the upper or lower right hand side of each calendar month.
- b. Training Management System. The following outlines the model for all MSCs but may be adjusted dependent on METT-T:
- (1) 1AD, 1ID and 3CC placed on a two-cycle system (Green cycle for two quarters, red cycle for two quarters. Note that the CSGs retain the same cycle as the division they support but are counted in the Corps separate MSC tasking totals, not Division numbers).
- (2) VCA, 11 AVN, 69 ADA, and 130 EN placed on a three-cycle system (Green cycle for two quarters, amber cycle for one quarter, red cycle for one quarter).
 - (3) 18 MP, 30 MED, 12 AVN, 22 SIG, and 205 MI will remain in a permanent amber status.

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- c. Tasks to Units (FY 03).
- (1) 1ID: Conduct red cycle from 15 MAY 03 through 30 SEP 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 14 MAY 03.
- (2) 1AD: Conduct red cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 14 MAY 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 15 MAY 03 through 30 SEP 03.
 - (3) 3 COSCOM.
- (a) 7 CSG: Conduct red cycle from 01 JAN 03 through 30 JUN 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 31 DEC 02 and from 01 JUL 03 through 30 SEP 03.
- (b) 16 CSG: Conduct red cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 31 DEC 02 and from 01 JUL 03 through 31 SEP 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 03 through 30 JUN 03.
- (4) V Corps Artillery: Conduct red cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 31 DEC 02. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 APR 03 through 30 JUN 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 03 through 31 MAR 03 and 01 JUL 03 through 30 SEP 03.
- (5) 11 Avn Regt: Conduct red cycle from 01 APR 03 through 30 JUN 03. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 31 DEC 02. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 03 through 31 MAR 03 and from 01 JUL 03 through 30 SEP 03..
 - (6) 12 Avn Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 30 SEP 03.
 - (7) 18 MP Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 30 SEP 03.
 - (8) 22 Sig Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 30 SEP 03.
 - (9) 30 Med Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 30 SEP 03.
- (10) 69 ADA Bde: Conduct red cycle from 01 JAN 03 through 31 MAR 03. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 JUL 03 through 30 SEP 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 31 DEC 02 and from 01 APR 03 through 30 JUN 03.
- (11) 130 ENG Bde: Conduct red cycle from 01 JUL 03 through 30 SEP 03. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 JAN 03 through 31 MAR 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 31 DEC 02 and 01 APR 03 through 30 JUN 03.
 - (12) 205 MI Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 02 through 30 SEP 03.

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- d. Tasks to Units (FY 04).
- (1) 1ID: Conduct red cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 31 MAR 04 and from 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03 and from 01 APR 04 through 30 JUN 04.
- (2) 1AD Conduct red cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03 and from 01 APR 04 through 30 JUN 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 31 MAR 04 and from 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04.
 - (3) 3 COSCOM.
- (a) 7 CSG: Conduct red cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 30 JUN 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03 and from 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04.
- (b) 16 CSG: Conduct red cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03 and from 01 JUL 04 through 31 SEP 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 30 JUN 04.
- (4) V Corps Artillery: Conduct red cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01APR 04 through 30 JUN 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 31 MAR 04 and 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04.
- (5) 11 Avn Regt: Conduct red cycle from 01 APR 04 through 30 JUN 04. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 31 MAR 04 and from 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04.
 - (6) 12 Avn Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 30 SEP 04.
 - (7) 18 MP Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 30 SEP 04.
 - (8) 22 Sig Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 30 SEP 04.
 - (9) 30 Med Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 30 SEP 04.
- (10) 69 ADA Bde: Conduct red cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 31 MAR 04. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03 and from 01 APR 04 through 30 JUN 04.
- (11) 130 ENG Bde: Conduct red cycle from 01 JUL 04 through 30 SEP 04. Unit will conduct amber cycle from 01 JAN 04 through 31 MAR 04. Unit will conduct green cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 31 DEC 03 and 01 APR 04 through 30 JUN 04.
 - (12) 205 MI Bde: Conduct amber cycle from 01 OCT 03 through 30 SEP 04.
- **6. Time Management System.** FM 25-100: "Time management systems create prime time training periods for subordinate organizations to concentrate on mission essential training."

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a. V Corps Red Cycle.

- (1) Red Cycle: Support (FM 25-100). "Units in Red periods execute details and other administrative requirements and allow the maximum number of soldiers to take leaves."
- (a) Support missions are accomplished with unit integrity, as much as possible, to exercise the chain of command and provide training opportunities as time permits.
- (b) Units take advantage of all training opportunities to conduct soldier, leader, and crew training.
 - (c) Leaves and passes are maximized. When appropriate, block leave may be scheduled.
- (d) Sub organizations take advantage of all training opportunities to conduct soldier, leader, and crew training.
- (e) Routine medical, dental, and administrative appointments are coordinated and scheduled with installation support facilities.
 - (2) Primary training support responsibility.
 - (a) Deployment Processing Center (approx. 129 soldiers).
 - (b) Fallen Soldier (20 soldiers).
 - (c) Nijmegen March (4 soldiers).
 - (d) EFMB (100 soldiers).
 - (e) Hessen State Fair (Static display- 10 soldiers).
 - (f) Memorial Day- France (35 soldiers).
 - (g) NCO of the year discussion banquet (5 soldiers).
 - (h) Soldier/NCO of the year ceremony (80 soldiers).
 - (i) Out of sector support taskings (Varied).
 - (j) Prepared to execute short notice tasking requirements.
- (k) Non-divisional MSCs and V Corps separate brigades prepared to receive non-specific MOS/Branch tasking requirements as needed, if red cycle is unable to meet requirement (Divisions 70% vs. Separates 30% of taskings).
 - (l) Immediate Ready Force (IRF). The Division that is tasked to provide IRF is not always

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in RED cycle. During those times that the Division is tasked to provide the IRF and is also in RED cycle, they will be credited for the forces they provide to RECON 1 force enhancement modules (120 soldiers).

- (3) Permanent taskings.
- (a) Operation Northern Watch (10 soldiers- 1AD/1ID/205th/30th/69th/18th/130th).
- (b) Combined Task Force-Force analysis (10 soldiers- 69th/1ID/1AD/ 205th/3 CC/STB).
- (4) Band Taskings. Taskings for the use of bands for changes of commands, concerts, and other traditional or motivational requirements will be executed separate and distinct from this tasking methodology. This is based on the sheer number of requirements and limited resources available.
- (5) Divisions will source certain GTA and HTA support internally. At GTA, TCE/BCE support is sourced internally. At HTA, OC augmentation, OPFOR augmentation and EXEVAL support is sourced internally. When divisions in red cycle cannot source these requirements, non-divisional MSCs and separate BDEs in amber cycle may be tasked for the required augmentation.
 - b. V Corps Amber Cycle.
- (1) Amber Cycle: Secondary Training Support Responsibility (FM 25-100). "Organizations in Amber periods are assigned support taskings beyond the capability of those units in the Red period, but commanders strive for minimal disruption to Amber organizations' training program."
- (a) Select leaders and soldiers are diverted to support requirements only after all available soldiers from organizations in red cycle are completely committed to support requirements.
 - (b) Section, squad, crew, leader, and soldier training is emphasized.
 - (c) To the extent possible, units conduct collective training.
 - (d) Separate Brigades fulfill MOS specific requirements as needed.
- (2) Divisions will source certain GTA and HTA support internally. At GTA, TCE/BCE support is sourced internally. At HTA, OC augmentation, OPFOR augmentation and EXEVAL support is sourced internally.
 - c. V Corps Green Cycle.
- (1) Green Cycle: Prime-Time Training (FM 25-100). "Organizations in green periods conduct planned training without distraction and external tasking."

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- (a) Training focus is primarily on soldier, leader, and collective tasks integrated through multi-echelon training.
- (b) Coincides with availability of major resources, such as CMTC and GTA, local training areas, and key training facilities or devices.
- (c) Maximum elimination of administrative and support requirements that prevent soldiers from participating in training.
 - (d) All soldiers attend mission essential training.
 - (e) Last resort for tasking requirements.
- (2) Divisions will source certain GTA and HTA support internally. At GTA, TCE/BCE support is sourced internally. At HTA, OC augmentation, OPFOR augmentation and EXEVAL support is sourced internally.
- 7. **Methodology of Execution**. Primary responsibility for oversight of the Tasking Methodology is the Corps G-3. Execution for the daily management and execution of the program lies with the Corps G-3 Current Operations Division.
- a. All efforts will be made to execute this guidance IAW the above stated training cycles. This is not a perfect system and not in all cases will the execution of this guidance apply. In those cases, Chief, Current Operations will make those decisions IAW V Corps Regulation 10-3.
- b. At Enclosure 3, page 8 is the chart used to assess each requirement to be filled and the process of deciding which unit will be tasked to fill these requirements.

c. Rules to Live by:

- ➤ **Rule #1:** *RED* til you're dead.
- ➤ Rule #2: Taskings will be managed on a daily basis using man-days. Minimum timeframe that can be credited is for one man-day. (i.e. if tasked to provide 30 soldiers for a survey, the unit will be credited 30 soldiers for one day.
- ➤ Rule #3: The "70/30 rule" will be enforced using both size and scope of the taskings. Calculations for 70% are for man-day taskings given to the *RED* Division. Calculations for 30% is for man-day tasking given to the *RED* separate MSC's. Units tasked outside of the *RED* cycle will not be counted in the 70/30 split.
- ➤ Rule #4: V Corps Time Management System will be annotated on the Corps Calendar.

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- ➤ Rule #5: In cases where time management cycles are changing units during a tasking, the unit in *RED* during the majority (in both size and scope) of the tasking will fulfill the requirements of that tasking.
- ➤ **Rule #6:** Nothing detracts from the IRF and DPC missions.
- ➤ Rule #7: Approval for all taskings will be IAW V Corps Regulation 10-3.
- ➤ Rule #8: Senior grade officer taskings (0-4 and above) and senior grade NCO taskings (MSG and above) will be handled outside of the time management system. Taskings will be based on assigned manpower, overstrength (if any), and mission projections.
- d. At Enclosure 3, page 9 is a spreadsheet that is used by the tasking manager to track daily man-days for units tasked for support. The methodology is designed to track daily commitments that are made. In all cases, the rebuttal system is available to units that cannot fulfill these requirements. Units have five working days to rebut any tasking that they believe cannot be supported. Examples using the spreadsheet:
- (1) Example 1: On Day 1 of October 2003, a division has responsibility for IRF. Also on this day a Corps Separate has picked up responsibility for DPC pusher unit. They have both been assessed man-days for the requirement of assuming that *RED* mission. Tasking #3 arrives for the a band to play in concert in Hanua on 1 October 2003. This tasking is logged but does not apply because band taskings are managed separately. Same day, Tasking #4 (DA EO Survey) is executable on 1 October 2003. It is not a MOS specific tasking. The 70%/30% rule applies and the tasking is given to the *RED* division. Tasking #5 is a requirement to support SETAF with CH-47s. The tasking is MOS/equipment specific and the tasking is given to 12th Aviation Brigade.
- (2) Example 2: On Day 3 of October 2003, a division has responsibility for IRF. Also on this day a Corps Separate continues the mission for DPC pusher unit. They have both been assessed man-days for the requirement of assuming that *RED* mission. Tasking #3 continues with the requirement to support SETAF with CH-47s. The tasking is MOS/equipment specific and the tasking is given to 12th Aviation Brigade. That day, a new tasking starts for Fallen Soldier duty. This tasking is for 20 soldiers from 3-15 October 2003. The tasking is not MOS specific and it goes to the RED division for fill. Tasking #5 for day 3 arrives and it requires Intelligence support to the ASG. It is a MOS specific tasking and the permanent Amber unit is tasked.
- 8. **Historical Perspective**. Over the last fiscal year, the percentage of taskings between the Divisions and Corps separates was 65%/35%. Excluding the permanent taskings listed above, there were a total of 152 tasking during the year.
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